not any person or persons, or any house, or any corporation, may be licensed to sell spirituous or fermented liquors in Frederick county, or in any of the election districts thereof, shall be submitted to the registered, qualified voters of the said county, and the various election districts thereof, at a special election to be held on the first Tuesday of August next, in the year eighteen hundred and eighty, in said county, and in each election district thereof, and that ballots for or against such sale shall have printed or written on them the words "for the sale of spirituous or fermented liquors," or "against the sale of spirituous or fermented liquors," and that the ballots so cast shall be carefully counted by the judges of said election, who shall, within three days thereafter, make a written return of such vote to the clerk of the Circuit Court for Frederick county, and said clerk shall record said returns among the records of his office, and if it shall appear that either one or more of said election districts shall have cast a majority of votes against the sale of spirituous or fermented liquors, then the clerk of said court shall prepare a certificate proclaiming the result of such election in said districts, and cause said certificate to be published once in each newspaper published in said county.

Question of license.

Clerk prepare certificate.

SEC. 2. And be it enacted, That the election aforesaid shall be held in accordance with the provisions of law governing general elections of this State, and by judges appointed and qualified in the manner directed by the laws governing each general election, and notice of the same shall be given in the ordinary mode, as now prescribed by law, and all existing provisions of law in regard to bribing voters, and in regard to selling, bartering, giving or disposing of spirituous or fermented liquors, ale or beer, or intoxicating drinks of any kind, on election day, shall be applied to the election authorized by this act.

Electionhow held.

SEC. 3. And be it enacted, That if it shall appear by the return of said judges of election and certificate of the clerk of said court, that a majority of the votes in the county, or any election district thereof, has been cast against the sale of spirituous or ferMajority vote to decide for.